

K973719

510(k) Summary

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Device Trade Name: Medlite™ Q-Switched Nd:YAG Laser
Medlite™ IV Q-Switched Nd:YAG Laser

Common Name: Medical laser system

Classification Name: Instrument, surgical, powered, laser
79-GEX
21 CRF 878.48

Equivalent Device: ThermoLase LT-100 Nd:YAG Laser Hair Removal System
(K950019, SE Date 04-03-95)

Intended Use: For the removal or lightening of unwanted hair

Comparison: Equivalent

Nonclinical Performance Data: None

Clinical Performance Data: Authorization provided to access data in K950019

Conclusion: The Medlite Laser Systems can be safely used to remove or lighten unwanted hair

Additional Information: None requested at this time



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Re: K973719
Trade Name: Medlite™ Q-Switched Nd:YAG Laser, Medlite IV Q-Switched
Nd:YAG Laser
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: GEX
Dated: September 29, 1997
Received: September 30, 1997

Dear Ms. Ridener:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the devices referenced above and we have determined the devices are substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). You may, therefore, market the devices, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

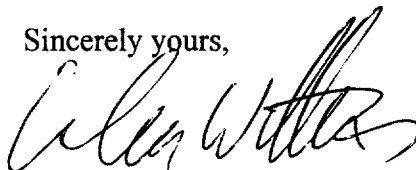
If your devices are classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval), they may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your devices can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the current Good Manufacturing Practice requirements, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic (QS) inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your devices in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submissions does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542

of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your devices as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your devices to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your devices and thus, permits your devices to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your devices on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4595. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your devices, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Celia M. Witten', with a stylized, flowing script.

Celia M. Witten, Ph.D., M.D.
Director
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Enclosure

510(k) Number (if known): K973719

Device Name: Medlite™ Q-Switched Nd:YAG Laser
Medlite™ IV Q-Switched Nd:YAG Laser

Indications for Use: For the removal or lightening of unwanted hair in the 1064nm
mode only.

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NEEDED)

Concurrence of CDROM Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

[Signature]
(Division Sign-Off)

Division of General Restorative Surgery
510(k) Number K973719

Prescription Use ✓
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

OR

Over-the-Counter Use _____

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